

Utah Demographics

1990 Census	Count	Share
Hispanic (ethnicity)	84,597	4.90%
Black	11,576	0.70%
American Indian	24,283	1.40%
Asian	25,696	1.50%
Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	7,675	0.40%
White	1,615,845	93.80%
Total Population	1,722,850	

2000 Census	Count	Share
Hispanic (ethnicity)	201,559	9.00%
Black	17,657	0.80%
American Indian	29,684	1.30%
Asian	37,108	1.70%
Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	15,145	0.70%
White	1,992,975	89.20%
Total Population	2,233,169	

American Community

Survey 2003	Count	Share
Hispanic (ethnicity)	229,386	9.93%
Black	26,173	.88%
American Indian	16,044	0.69%
Asian	42,160	1.82%
Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander	18,531	0.80%
White	2,084,494	90.20%
Total Population	2,309,555	

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Office of Ethnic Affairs

Utah Department of Community & Culture



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Mission

To ensure Utah State government adequately meets the needs of Utah's Ethnic Community.

About Us

- On October 6, 2005, Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. signed an executive order officially creating the newly structured State Office of Ethnic Affairs (OEA).
- **Structure:** The OEA director oversees four directors who represent the Asian, Black, Hispanic/Latino, and Pacific Islander communities. Other staff members include a research analyst/projects, community outreach coordinator and three administrative staff.
- **Our Purpose:** OEA promotes institutional change by partnering with State agencies to assure equity and access to culturally competent programs and services, to review their policies, practices, procedures and to ensure proper delivery of State services and resources to the ethnic community.

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Services

- **Public Service:** OEA coordinates projects and events targeted at improving the quality of services and outreach to the ethnic community through partnerships with other state agencies.
- OEA assists constituents of the ethnic communities by providing referrals as they seek services in state government.
- **Web Site:** OEA provides a culturally competent and user-friendly website that provides access to useful resources and information. Link features include: community resources, ethnic community directories, events calendar and on-line subscription to weekly announcements.
www.ethnicoffice.utah.gov
- **Services to State Agencies:** OEA provides cultural competent consultation to state agencies and reviews their policies and procedures in order to assure outreach and accessibility of services and programs to all Utahns.
- **Public Policy and Research:** OEA conducts analysis of ethnic data, legislative issues and provides fact sheets on Utah's ethnic communities. The Office also provides access to reports about Utah's minority population prepared by other departments or organizations.

Ethnic Advisory Councils

The Office of Ethnic Affairs has four State Ethnic Advisory Councils. The members of these councils are appointed by the Governor.

- Asian Advisory Council
- Black Advisory Council
- Hispanic/Latino Advisory Council
- Pacific Islander Advisory Council

Council activities include:

- Gathering information about the needs of the ethnic constituents of Utah.
- Providing a forum for ethnic constituents to inform the Ethnic Advisory Councils about the State's responses to issues.
- Developing recommendations as to how the State can respond to issues impacting Utah's ethnic population.

Please feel free to contact your council representative, if you have issues or concerns that may impact the ethnic community of Utah. Find your representative at **www.ethnicoffice.utah.gov**

Meetings

Councils meet monthly. For meeting dates and locations call (801) 538-8755 or visit **www.ethnicoffice.utah.gov**

Membership

To serve on one of the Ethnic Advisory Councils, please apply online at: **www.governor.utah.gov/boards**